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Response Under 37CFR 1.116-Expedited Procedure Exemining Group

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 24, 2008, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted for entry and consideration. The Action set a 3 month shortened statutory period for response, making this response due February 24, 2009. This reply is timely filed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.

The Examiner is kindly requested to enter and consider the present amendments and remarks even though submitted after final. Applicants believe the claims are in condition for allowance.